Federal Communications Commission Washington



May 17, 1994

Honorable John C. Danforth United States Senate Washington, D. C. 20510-6125

> Re: MM Docket No. 89-120 RM-6701, 6999,7001 MM Docket No. 90-66 RM-7139, 7368, 7369 MM Docket No. 91-352

RM-7866

MM Docket No. 92-214

RM-8062

Dear Senator Danforth:

Thank you for your letter dated April 6, 1994, accompanied by a letter from your constituent, Mr. Kenneth W. Kuenzie, concerning broadcast channel allotment proceedings for various locations in Missouri.

Your letter was forwarded to the Office of the Managing Director for reply in keeping with the Commission's <u>ex parte</u> rules, which deal with communications relative to all "restricted" proceedings under consideration by the Commission. The Managing Director asked me to respond on his behalf.

The <u>ex parte</u> rules require service on all parties of filings addressing the merits or outcome of restricted proceedings. Because a petition for reconsideration concerning a contested channel allotment remains pending, the proceeding is considered "restricted" and remains so until such time as a Commission decision is made and is no longer subject to reconsideration or review by the Commission or the courts. See 47 CFR Section 1.1208(c)(2). The Commission's Mass Media Bureau has advised that a decision should be forthcoming in approximately three months.

In accordance with FCC Rules as found in 47 CFR Section 1.1212(e), I am, by copies of this letter, providing notice and disclosure of your communication to all parties to this proceeding. Additionally, this letter and your communication have been placed in a public file associated with (but not made a part of) the record in the proceeding. See 47 CFR Section 1.1212(d).

You may be assured that the Commission will closely examine all evidence in the record in order to determine which course of action will best serve the public interest, convenience and necessity.

Sincerely,

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MMP MM 1695

April 6, 1994

Ms. Judith Harris Director, Legislative Affairs Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Ms. Harris:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from one of my constituents, Mr. Kenneth W. Kuenzie of Washington, Missouri. Mr. Kuenzie is concerned about the status of his company's numerous filings with the Commission.

I would appreciate receiving information on this matter at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your assistance.

John C. Danforth

Sincerely,

Enclosure

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VIA FAX 202-224-1259 MARCH 31, 1994

DEAR MS. NAVETTA

THANK YOU FOR TAKING TIME TO ASSIST OUR COMPANY, LAKE BROADCASTING, INTO SEEKING THE CURRENT STATUS AND REASON AS TO WHY THE LENGTHY PROCEEDING AT THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION.

I WILL TRY TO, BRIEFLY AS POSSIBLE, GIVE YOU SOME BACKGROUND ON THE EFFORTS OF LAKE BROADCASTING, TO UP GRADE ITS FM BROADCASTING FACILITY AT THE LAKE OF THE OZARKS IN MISSOURI.

BACK IN 1988 LAKE BROADCASTING INC. (LAKE) FILED FOR A RULE MAKING TO UPGRADE OUR PRESENT CLASS A FACILITY (SIX THOUSAND WATTS) TO CLASS C1 (ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND WATTS). VARIOUS OTHER PROPOSALS WERE PRESENTED BY OTHER MISSOURI BROADCASTERS AND THE COMMISSION DECIDED TO OVERLOOK ALL PROPOSALS AND ALLOCATE ONLY ONE NEW CHANNEL, AT LAKE OZARK, MISSOURI, AND CLOSED THE PROCEEDINGS. WHEN CONTACTED AS TO THE REASON FOR THEIR DECISION, IT WAS LEARNED FROM THE COMMISSION, THAT THROUGH THE COMMISSIONS INEFFICIENCIES, THE PROPOSALS THAT LAKE SUBMITTED WERE NEVER READ OR CONSIDERED. AT THIS TIME THE COMMISSION SUGGESTED THAT LAKE PETITION FOR A RECONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSAL, WHICH WAS DONE. LAKE WAS TOLD THAT A TYPICAL RECONSIDERATION PROPOSAL WOULD TAKE APPROXIMATLY 6 MONTHS. AS OF NOW IT IS CLOSE TO 27 MONTHS FOR THE RECONSIDERATION AND THERE HAS BEEN NO MOVEMENT. DURING THIS TIME OF "RECON" THE COMMISSION IS SUPPOSED TO HOLD ALL THE CHANNELS AND PROPOSALS IN A SORT OF FREEZE UNTIL A DETERMINATION OF THE "RECON" IS DECIDED. HOWEVER AGAIN THE COMMISSION HAS ERRED. THE COMMISSION SOME HOW ACCEPTED AND ALLOWED PROPOSALS FOR SOME THIRTEEN (13) OTHER FACILITIES TO BECOME "DAISY CHAINED" IN TO ONE OF THE BIGGEST AND DRUG OUT PROCEEDING OF ALL TIME. LAKE HAS TIMELY PRESENTED OPPOSITIONS TO THIS, COMMISSION ADMITTED BOONDOGGLE, AND HAS PRESENTED NUMEROUS PETITIONS TO THE COMMISSION WITH GLOBAL SOLUTIONS FOR ALL THESE SITUATIONS,

AT GREAT EXPENSE TO LAKE. AGAIN ALL OF THIS, AT LAST CHECK, IS STILL SITTING ON SOMEONES DESK. MEANWHILE THIS IS NEITHER EFFICIENT GOVERNMENT, NOR A SERVICE TO THE PUBLIC BROADCASTING CONCERN.

AS YOU CAN SEE THIS HAS BEEN VERY FRUSTRATING TO US AND LAKE WOULD LIKE FOR THE SENATORS OFFICE TO LOOK INTO THE STATUS OF F.C.C DOCKETS 89-120, 90-66, 91-352, 92-214, AND FIND OUT A DATE AS TO WHEN THE CONFLICTS CAN BE CLEARED UP AND IMPROVED SERVICE TO THE PUBLIC MAY BEGIN.

AGAIN THANK YOU AND IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR LEARN OF ANY NEW DEVELOPMENTS PLEASE CONTACT ME AT 1-314-239-6800 OR FAX 1-314-239-0364.

SINCERELY,

KENNETH W. KUENZIE

VICE PRESIDENT

LAKE BROADCASTING, INC.